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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

JEROME HODSON,) CASE NO.: 1:07-cv-2085
Plaintiff,)) JUDGE: O'MALLEY.
vs. JAVITCH, BLOCK, & RATHBONE LLP,)) JOINT POSITION STATEMENT) REGARDING AGENDA FOR) CASE MANAGEMENT) CONFERENCE
Defendant.)

Now comes Plaintiff, Jerome Hodson, by and through undersigned counsel, and Defendant, Javitch, Block, & Rathbone, by and through undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Local Rule 16.3, hereby jointly submit the following statement of its position regarding the agenda for the Case Management Conference to be held on January 7, 2008.

- 1. The case should be assigned to the following track: **Standard**.
- 2. This case **is not** suitable for one or more of the following ADR mechanisms.
- 3. The parties **do not** consent to the jurisdiction of the United States Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 USC § 636(c).
- 4. The parties **have** exchanged their Rule 26 initial disclosures prior to the date of the conference.
- 5. Recommended discovery plan:
 - a. Defendant anticipates conducting general discovery regarding the circumstances surrounding Plaintiff's use and acceptance of the underlying credit card obligation; the civil litigation that took place regarding the said credit card; and Plaintiff's claim for real damages.
 - Plaintiff anticipates conducting general discovery regarding the civil litigation that took place surrounding the said credit card, and the procedures, methods and criteria surrounding Defendant's selection of venue.
- 6. The parties request that discovery cutoff date be set on: April 25, 2008

- 7. The parties shall exchange Expert Reports on or before: February 22, 2008, and Expert Discovery shall be completed on or before March 25, 2008.
- 8. The parties request that new parties be joined and the pleadings be amended on: January 21, 2008.
- 9. The parties request that the dispositive motion cutoff date be set on May 23, 2008.
- 10. The parties request that the Status Hearing be held on May 9, 2008.

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